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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT application of )  
Martin CALDWELL et al. ) Confirmation No. 4375  
Application No. 10/048,165 ) Group Art Unit: 3731  
Filed: January 29, 2002 ) Examiner: Darwin P. Erezo  
For: A SURGICAL ACCESS DEVICE )

**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.